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13.1 Introdu	13.1 Introduction		
13.1	Objection  1. Objection to the intention to have a collaborative joint masterplanning approach which is then taken through to a formal SPD – will add unnecessary financial burdens and delay. Suggest new wording to this effect		
	Other Comments and Observations		
	Lack of consultation with stakeholders such as The Welwyn Garden City Society, Friends of Panshanger Park and Hertfordshire Gardens Trust		
	2. Local community were not consulted		
	3. An amendment to the Policy Map is suggested due to an incorrectly defined Local Wildlife Site		
13.2 Development East of Welwyn Garden City			
13.2	Objection  1. Loss of Green Belt – no evidence of exceptional circumstances		
13.2.9	Objection  1. Impact on congestion on A414 and local roads		
13.2.10	Other Comments and Observations  1. Concern over capacity of healthcare services – only a minor injuries unit at the former QEII hospital		
13.2.13	Other Comments and Observations  1. Inconsistency between East Herts and Welwyn Hatfield Plans in text		

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Policy EWG	C1 Land East of Welwyn Garden City
EWGC1	<u>Support</u>
	Support intended sustainable transport measures
	Support for intended sustainable drainage measures
	3. Support for intended recreation uses
	<u>Objection</u>
	1. The Heritage Impact Assessment has not considered all necessary areas and no specific
	mitigation is committed in the policy to address the HIA
	2. Policy should require a three form entry primary school
	<ol><li>Reference to an all through school should be removed as it has not been decided how the education facility should come forward</li></ol>
	Preference cited for two adjacent rather than all-through schools
	5. The need for eight forms of entry at secondary level is questioned as the proposal would
	require five forms. S106 requirements should be proportionate to the development. They also
	question the amount of land required for the secondary school (8-10 ha for secondary school of 5-6fe and 2.5ha for 3fe primary). More land than this would impact on viability.
	6. Objection to development immediately west of the A414 – impact on heritage assets, contrary
	to Policy HA8 Historic Parks and Gardens, impact on Hatfield House and estate and
	Panshanger Park, needs a full archaeological appraisal
	7. Visual impact and impact on landscape grounds, including on views of river corridors
	8. Impact on green infrastructure, environmental assets, wildlife including badgers, river corridor,
	open rural landscape, needs a full ecological appraisal, soil erosion impacting on river Mimram,
	need for network of reed bed marshes, existing woodlands becoming sterile
	9. Lack of green infrastructure / contradiction to Welwyn Hatfield Green Corridor plans

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	10. Will cause flooding downstream and risks of water pollution
	11. Concern regarding water abstraction and resultant river health 12. Lack of integration to the existing town
	13. Presence of contaminated land – prejudicing development and open space use, harmful to
	human health, leaching of contaminants to adjacent non-filled land, unrecorded tipping beyond known landfill site
	14. Noise and air pollution caused by the development
	15. Use of Gascoyne Cecil Estate land as a buffer zone between the site and Panshanger Park
	16. Much reduced area of land proposed as an alternative for consideration.
	17. Green Belt loss – no exceptional circumstances evidenced
	18. Does not meet the needs arising from Hertford
	19. Will cause coalescence between Hertford and Welwyn Garden City
	20. Lack of evidence for Gypsy and Traveller needs – proximity of existing site 21. Conflict with proximity of homes to household waste site
	22. Uncertainty over deliverability of required mitigation measures and responsibility for future
	maintenance
	23. Fails Duty to Co-operate as no engagement with Welwyn Hatfield Borough Council
	24. Fails Duty to Co-operate with Hertingfordbury Neighbourhood Plan Group
	25. No consultation on mineral extraction
	26. Impact of new homes adjacent to mineral extraction plant
	27. Cannot meet Garden City principles
	28. Impact on existing town's infrastructure
	29. Impact on neighbouring residential areas
	30. Impact on road network and ability to access the site
	31. Too far from town centre and station

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	32. Over-reliance on assumption that people will use non-car modes of transport 33. Rural bus network is poor 34. Land south of B195 is not available for development 35. Does not meet needs of the LSCC corridor 36. Amendment to Policy is suggested to reflect their proposed masterplan and concept statement
	Other Comments and Observations  1. A detailed drainage strategy will be required to assess the wastewater capacity in this area.  2. Inconsistency between the policies in the East Herts and Welwyn Hatfield Plans – open spaces  3. New wording requested with regards to green infrastructure (consistent with WHBC local plan)  4. Clear map should be provide for proposed footpaths and links  5. Policy requires amendment to appropriately deal with known mineral reserves  6. Policy requires amendment to appropriately deal with safeguarded waste recycling facilities  7. Need to ensure adequate provision of open spaces and leisure facilities
Figure 13.2 Strategy Diagram	Support  1. Support for designation of Eco-Aggregates site as employment land  Objection  1. Figure 13.2 Strategy Diagram should be replaced with the equivalent from the WHBC Plan  Other Comments and Observations  1. Error in location of waste management facility symbol  2. Omits new traveller site

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Policy Map	Other Comments and Observations  1. Scale should be the same for WHBC Local Plan and East Herts District Plan